FIVE COUNTY LOCAL HOMELESS COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Minutes November 18, 2009 11:30 am-1 p.m.

Southwest Behavioral Health Center 3rd Floor Conference Room 474 West 200 North St. George, UT

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:	REPRESENTING:
Mayor Mary Reep	Mayor of Apple Valley
Anne Yero	Canyon Creek Women's Crisis Center
Faye Hubbard	Department of Workforce Services
Bette Root	Resource & Re-entry Center
Colleen Tucker	Job Corps
Paul Marshall for Tami Fullerton	Juvenile Justice Services
Sherri Dial	FCAOG
Kara Coop	Dixie Care and Share
Jane Lewis	FCAOG
Heidi Miller (on phone)	Cedar City Housing Authority
Stephanie Volker (on phone)	Southwest Center Behavioral Health
Katy Peterson	DOVE Center
Sue Kimball	Erin Kimball Memorial Foundation
LuWenn Jones	Disability Law Center & Utah DD Council
Ray Sim	Iron County Care and Share
Lloyd Pendleton	State Office of Community and Culture
Paula Claymore	Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah
Madonna Melton	DOVE center
Dixie Spencer	TLC
Excused	
Frank Yoder	Resource & Re-entry Center

State information Lloyd Pendleton

Stimulus funding

Information about HPRP asked Ray about how the program is working in the area. Ray reported that their contract is signed and they are working with 8 families.

Question about the protocol to access the funding; including 50% of median income or below. The idea behind this funding is that there are no other resources and "but for this funding" the person would be homeless. Using the HMIS criteria to identify clients. Are the details worked out for referral to HPRP funds? The collaboration between agencies will improve. ICCS had a meeting with local agencies.

Kara at the Dixie C&S, we are having subcommittee meetings and need to have ongoing subcommittee meetings.

Is there any documentation available to help the agencies to screen individuals into the programs? So other agencies can pre-screen their client to assist with success. Kara "There is a wide range of criteria"

Lloyd "Need to be precariously housed and the discussion needs to determine "What is precariously housed?" and "How will the people sustain themselves after the 3 months?" Coordinating all resources to assist in a coordinated manner. Provide focused and unduplicated services.

HPRP funds are focused on those who have come into homelessness because of the economic crisis not those who need treatment or who are chronically homeless those individuals are part of the regular system. A centralized intake process being developed.

The individual who is still on the pilot project is in limbo because he doesn't qualify. Lloyd felt he would be an excellent example of some one to put into the stimulus program. Kara and Stephanie had a conversation about a particular individual and it was determined that he is eligible for HPRP funding. Heidi clarified some of the background information about the housing first pilot as it applies to this individual. He has applied to low income housing and has a chronic mental illness. "other than this money he would be homeless"

The TANF funds should be coming soon. These funds will not be handled by Workforce services but will be handled through the Office of Committee Services for housing assistance. This funding will have income criteria and a child in the family.

At the homeless summit we announced the 2009 Report on Homelessness available on the web. It is a comprehensive report.

The State office is looking to revamp its way of dealing with homelessness. They have hired a private consultant to work with a team in Utah to develop a strategy for dealing with homelessness called the optimum delivery system. Part of the plan is to analyze gaps and duplication in services. We want a optimum service delivery system in place by 2014.

Create a case management training program to create a seamless delivery system.

Point in time is January 27th

Need a Point In Time (PIT) representative. HMIS is planning training in December for the agencies and programs working on the PIT.

Nominations for the PIT coordinator: Nominated by Anne: Ray Sim and Kara Coop to be co-coordinators Vote unanimous

Approve the agenda

Kara moved, seconded by Ray Approved unanimously

Approve the minutes

No changes mentioned Kara moved, seconded by Anne Approved unanimously

HPRP subcommitteeKara Coop
Ray Sim

Covered this information earlier. SWCBH

Housing Committee Update

Ty Tippets

Ty has a meeting planed with the VA to discuss terms. Bette Root will try to follow up and find out what is happening. There are many questions to be determined if the 75 unit will be completed.

Housing Counseling information

Heidi Miller

Cedar City Housing Authority has received funding for two housing counselors from the housing coalition to be in Cedar City and in St. George. The application process closed on the 12th and the application are being reviewed. We hope to hire by the 1st of December. One of the counselor will be at the Housing Authority office in Cedar City and the other counselor will be at the Five County AOG office in St. George.

Information Sherri Dial

Electronic Meeting Procedure need to be voted on for acceptance into the policies for the committee

Bette moved, seconded by Kara Approved unanimously

Vice Chair Nomination and Election

• DWS representative has been nominated and voted unanimously

Housing First/Continuum of Care Committee need to be accepted as a subcommittee of the FC LHCC

Kara moved, seconded by Stephanie Approved unanimously

Other Updates

Lynn Jorgensen provided information about grants. Transition from the criminal justice system to the community and there is 39 million dollars available.

DWS –has a new system to collect eligibility information for DWS program and places the funds on the cards (e-rep). Eventually partner agency will need to be trained. Programs can use this system to verify a client's information for eligibility with permission of the client.

Mayor Reep reported that at 1 pm, she would be presenting the Plan to End Chronic Homelessness to the Five County AOG Steering Committee for approval.

Video- Lloyd presented the video that was presented at the opening of the Hunger Summit. Secretary of HUD Sean Donovan.

Motion to adjourn

Kara moved, seconded by Ray

Approved unanimously

Next meeting: February 17, 2010